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Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor are welcome. They do not necessarily represent the views of this paper. If you want to have your say please send your letter to the Dillsburg Banner 31 S. Baltimore Street Dillsburg PA 17019

Please include your name and phone number. Letters unsigned will not be printed.

Half-truth tactics being used

The unusually large attendance at the Monaghan Township March meeting, including 11 Governor Candidate Hal Mowery, was precipitated by a rumor of proposed gun control. The spreading of the rumor was not innocent and spontaneous. It was obviously planned and well orchestrated by those who knew that an emotional issue would deflect the real and important problems which have created division among official Township leadership. The minutes of previous meetings will prove that gun control was never addressed nor proposed. No one suggested that the solution to a single neighborhood harassment complaint, involving gun shots, was elimination or banning of gun use.

Such half-truth tactics to maintain support and control are frightening and dangerous, but they seem to be acceptable and effective in and around this community.

Deceptive tactics helped defeat a capable, intelligent candidate in the most recent election. Too many voters believed inaccurate statements in a pre-election letter which was mailed to them. Signed by Mr. Cottenham, it suggested that Mrs. Coble was not a property owner, therefore of questionable qualification to serve as supervisor. Points in fact: (1) Both Mr. and Mrs. Coble as wage earners, contribute many dollars to the Township through wage taxes, (2) The Coble residence which is family owned is taxed. (3) The Constitution guarantees that individual opportunities, capabilities, and conduct are not predicated upon taxable property.

The efforts to control development through the legal avenue of zoning have been diminished by similar tactics. The Mowery Brothers' subdivision plan for Wellington Heights, although approved by the Supervisors, is in conflict with the zoning ordinance. Their proposed sewage treatment plant which will dump into the Yellow Breeches Water Shed, is in direct violation of two (2) counts, and granting of building permits should not be allowed until these deficiencies are corrected. Errors in the plan were repeatedly brought to the attention of the Supervisors by Zoning Officer Paula Bixler, Planning Commission Chairman Mary Coble, and Solicitor G. Thomas Miller. In spite of this, J.J. Cottenham and Wayne Miller refused to retract their approval. Instead, two of the dissenting officials have been replaced and the third has resigned. It is untrue to suggest that the replacements were due to pro-gun use incidents such as one's voting preference which is the privacy of the voting booth supposedly protects or a citizen's right to report a hazardous condition to the police without the Supervisors permission. The Mowerys have reportedly sold their development package to Mark Caldwell and Marian Grass for over a million dollars.

The on-going battle to protect the Yellow Breeches Creek from future development pollution whether by Messiah College, Grantham Woods, Upper Allen Township, Robert Mummert's proposed golf course or the Mowery Brothers' sewage treatment plant, produced more twisting of facts Mr. Cottenham has now gone on record in the newspaper with yet another misrepresentation, namely, that the Township never opposed Grantham Woods through official resolution. Proof in fact, memoirs of the regularly scheduled Township meeting of August, 1985 page 3 Paragraph 3, record the resolution as proposed by Supervisor G. Thomas Miller, seconded by Supervisor J.J. Cottenham with supervisor R. Wayne Miller abstaining, not opposing. The motion passed with a two to zero vote. This resolution was submitted as an exhibit during testimony taken under oath, at the Grantham Woods hearings.

To impugn without substantiation, through the press, the honesty and integrity of an individual at any time, much less four and one-half years after the fact, is unconscionable and unacceptable.

Misrepresentation and deception are essential despicable when dispensed by those in a position of trust. It is unfortunate that it is cowardly and insulting to suggest that such bad behavior has foundation in the Bible.

This writer, for one, publicly disputes the distortion of facts and events and registers contempt for those who accept them as honorable truths.

Anne G. Miller

After-prom party attnedance encouraged

My wife and I recently attended a meeting of the Northern High School After Prom Party Committee.

We were pleasantly surprised at the plans being made for the enjoyment of the attendees.

The party is being held at the West Shore YMCA, and is a well planned chaperoned event. There will be dancing, music by a DJ, swimming, racquetball, basketball, volleyball, other games and plenty of refreshments.

Many prizes for drawings have been donated by local businesses including a 1985 Plymouth Turismo given by Wessel's Used Cars, Dillsburg.

The party concludes at 6 a.m. and no one will be permitted to leave without the parents/guardians being notified.

I hope parents will encourage their students to attend this fun event in place of unsupervised private parties.

I also encourage parents to volunteer to help with one of the many committees working to make this a memorable experience for their children. Contact Co-chairpersons Linda Irvin 432-8324 or Wanda Stiffler 432-3024 if you would like to help.

Wish there were events like this when I was growing up!

Sincerely,
Joe Kowalewski Jr.

NOTICE

The Northern York County School District will receive until 2:00 p.m. EST Wednesday April 4, 1990 bids for All-weather Athletic Equipment and Supplies. General Supplies, Instrument Supplies and Music Equipment. Specifications and the bid forms may be obtained at the Administrative Office, 144 S. Baltimore Street, Dillsburg, PA 17019. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award contracts that are in the best interests of the school district.

Evelyn R. Hyson, Secretary
Northern York County School District

NOTICE

Estate of James E. Jones late of Franklin Township, York County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters of Administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned.

Sandra L. Leader, 13 W. Harrisburg Street, Dillsburg, Pa. 17019

Jane M. Alexander, Esquire, Attorney

Sandra L. Leader, Administratrix

LEGAL

The Dillsburg Borough Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on April 4, 1990 at 7:30 p.m. in the Monaghan Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 102 North Baltimore Street. The Commission will receive public input for consideration of a proposed Planned Residential Development known as Meadows Edge to be built on approximately 18 acres of vacant land located in the southwest corner of the Borough east of Gettysburg Street and west of the Stonybrook.

The developer expects to construct 141 living units on the tract which will be condominiums. Units will be constructed in structures consisting of four to eight dwelling units each.

A Planned Residential Development is defined as an area of land controlled by a landowner, to be developed as a single entity for a number of dwelling units, or combination of residential and non-residential uses, the development plan for which does not correspond in lot size, bulk, type of dwelling, or use, density or intensity, lot coverage and required open space to the regulations established in any one district created, from time to time, under the provisions of a municipal zoning ordinance.

Any citizen of the Borough may attend the hearing to become acquainted with the project and to offer comments or testimony on the project.

George W. Brown
Chairman
Dillsburg Planning Commission

Have news? Give us a call at 432-3456

Accident accounts appear one sided

The traffic accident that happened on Route 15 on Mother's Day of last year was very tragic and traumatic for the Sireeti family and our community is certainly extended to them.

However, all of the stories in the newspapers and on TV regarding this accident seem to be very one sided. According to what was read and heard, the Sireeti Family are the only ones involved in this accident. None of us who are friends of Jim Fishel and his family know this is simply not true.

The pain and agony of this terrible accident has taken its toll on two families not just one.

We have known him for many years. He has always been a very caring, decent and dedicated man. His job as a policeman has brought him a lot of respect within the community.

From everything that has been reported to this accident, it sounds like Jim doesn't care.

We know that is not true and we want to take this opportunity to stand up for the Fishel Family.

This terrible accident is one that two families must learn to accept and deal with. No one involved in this accident will ever forget but it is time to heal.

It is very important that both families receive understanding and support from their friends. We offer this support to the Fishel Family because we are very proud to call Jim Fishel our friend.

Norman and Joan Hess
Jack and Cathy Nesser
Norman Trump
And Friends of the Community

Dillsburg Borough Trash Collection

Trash will be taken from Borough Residents on Saturday, April 21, 1990. Trash may consist of anything such as old furniture, appliances metals, wood, etc. No garbage, newspapers nor any other materials which would normally be taken by the Borough Sanitation Collector will be accepted. NO TIRES WILL BE ACCEPTED. Identification proving residency within the Borough will be required.

There will NOT be any door to door pickup and Borough Residents must bring the trash to a contained which will be located on the vacant lot owned by J & J Agnoian (Franklin and Beigh Second Streets by the water tank) between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Items must be placed on the ground-not bed after which Borough employees will handle. Your cooperation is requested.

Wood or trash may not exceed five feet lengths.

The Borough of Dillsburg
P.O. Box 370
Dillsburg, PA 17019
328.45 4/19

NOTICE

The Estate of KYLE P. RICHWINE late of Dillsburg Borough, York County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters of Administration on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned.

Paul R. Richwine, Jr.
Beth A. Richwine
27 E. York Street
Dillsburg, PA 17019
WM. D. SCHRACK, III
124 West Harrisburg Street
P.O. Box 310
Dillsburg, PA 17019
328.45 4/19

Ficticious Name

Notice is hereby given that on March 12, 1990 a certificate was filed under the Fictitious Name Act in accordance with Section 311 of Act 382-295 "54 PA C.S. Section 311" in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth at Pennsylvania, setting forth that Robert L. Mosier 2104 Wentworth Drive, Camp Hill, Pa. 17011 is the only person owning or interested in a business, the character of which is the retail sale of new and used furniture and other related business and that the name, style and designation under which said business is and will be conducted is DILLSBURG FURNITURE MART and the location where said business is and will be located is 103 South Baltimore Street Dillsburg, Pennsylvania.

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BID NOTICE

The Franklin Township Board of Supervisors, York County, Pa. solicit bids for the following: Stone of various sizes, road oils and dust control oil, shale, rental of 16-ton. Bids will be received until 7:30 p.m. on April 17, 1990 and will be opened and considered by the board at approximately 8:30 p.m. on April 17, 1990. Supervisors reserve the rights to accept and/or reject any or all bids receiving. Full particulars and bid forms may be obtained by writing: Franklin Township Board of Supervisors, P.O. Box 25, Dillsburg, Pa. 17019 or by calling 717-432-3773.

Lynn L. Potts
Secretary

Last day to register to vote

The League of Women Voters of the Harrisburg Area reminds citizens that Monday, April 16, 1990 is the last day to register to vote in order to participate in the Tuesday, May 15, 1990 primary election. The League of Women Voters urges you to exercise your right and make your voice heard on primary election day. Help us your political party's stage for the general election in November. Remember, you can't vote if you're not registered. For further information, contact your local league at (717) 234 1576.

Historical society to meet

The April meeting of the Northern York County Historical and Preservation Society will be on Thursday, April 5, 1990 at 8:00 p.m. in the Presbyterian Social Hall at North Baltimore street and Church Street in Dillsburg. The program for the evening will be a presentation by Sara Anne Kinault on American Pottery. If you have an example you wish in bring, please do. Members, guests and visitors are all welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

Brenda L. Mummert

Mummert accepted

Brenda L. Mummert daughter of Carl and Bernice Mummert of Wellsville has been accepted into the physical therapy program at Thomas Jefferson University's College of Allied Health Sciences, Philadelphia. Miss Mummert is one of 45 students selected from over 600 applicants. At Thomas Jefferson University Brenda will have the opportunity to study at one of the best physical therapy facilities in the nation. At the end of the three year program Miss Mummert will be awarded simultaneous Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Physical Therapy. Brenda has completed her pre-requisite coursework at Bloomburg University where she was named to the College of Professional Studies Dean's List for four consecutive semesters.

Staff Sergeant, Richard L. Leary, Jr.

New Army recruiter

Staff Sergeant, Richard L. Leary, Jr. is now serving Recruiter for the Northern High School and Boiling Springs. He is a military policeman originally from North Carolina with 7 years in the Army. He was stationed in Savannah, Georgia for the past 2 years.

Sergeant Leary wishes to announce that the 2 year Army College Fund is now available for High School Graduates. This fund can amount to $17,000 to those qualified.

Brian S. Keefer

Keefer accepts position

Brian S. Keefer of Dillsburg has joined Hoover-Anwar Associates, a medical and dental marketing services company based in Ardmore, Pa. as a Marketing and Public Relations Specialist.

Keefer is responsible for media relations, advertising, marketing, brochure development, special event management and public relations tasks for several of the company's clients throughout the northeastern United States.

Keefer, a graduate of Dickinson College, is the former Director of Public Relations and Fund Raising of the American Cancer Society in Baltimore, MD. He is a former staff member of the American Cancer Society in Harrisburg.

Revival services

The Harmony Bethel Church of God, located at the corner of South Mountain and Clear Springs Roads, will be holding Revival Services April 1 & at 7 p.m. Our service on April 1 will be a Night of Music with Mr. Vernon Brechbiel sharing a meditation. Pastor Donald Cobick will be the speaker for the remaining services. Pastor Cobick is a retired Chaplain of the Iowa Cavalier station wagon, and would say hello and smile at him many of you even waiting at the car to meet his people and see what a wonderful dog he is.

For those of you who are still unsure who Bear was, he was an affectionate white boxer, with a brown spot on his head and floppy ears, who loved to cuddle with his people.

Thank you for your love and prayers

Karen and Jim Capp, Dillsburg PA

FARMING: A way of life no other can match

By Lynn Lerner
YDS correspondent

Dale Bentz above, born and raised on the family farm says of the work. "You've got to keep on with it or you'll get left behind." He, his father, mother and step-sons all take part in the never ending daily duties.

Photo by David Marsh

No two days in the life of a full time farmer is the same. In addition, the daily duties of local beef farmer Dale Bentz change each season.

Fall brings in new steer which are fed each morning from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

During the spring planting season Dale may find himself on a tractor for fifteen consecutive hours.

The weather sometimes a help and sometimes a hindrance also. Insect schedules tie he flexible.

Last year for example, the weather was exceedingly wet for three weeks of the prime planting season. This set the Bentzs back because the soil was too wet to be tilled.

The less days of pleasant weather two weeks ago gave Dale time to work on the 200 acres of land where they raise their cattle feed.

Aside from the three hours spent daily hauling manure cleaning the barn and providing clean bedding, Dale takes time to maintain most of the farm's equipment.

Dale Bentz's father Laverne and his wife Maryellen, started the dairy farm in 1945. The farm is located on Spring Valley Road, just a few miles south of Dillsburg.

The farm underwent three major expansions until their participation in the dairy herd improvement program in 1985.

In 1987 they increased their dairy herd to 45 and built a new barn.

In 1964 they doubled the herd size to 100. In 1978 they installed a new milking and feeding system.

In 1985 they sold their dairy herd and went into the beef finishing business.

Now finishing an average of 350 head of cattle annually, Dale credits part of the farm's success to his family's willingness to keep up with technological change.

When you don't update or maintain things go downhill," Dale claims. "You've got to keep up with it or you'll get left behind."

Most of the steer which is finished weight are between 1,250 and 1,400 lbs. go directly to the slaughterhouse. Between September and November, tractor trailers came and take the cattle away while a small portion of the beef goes to local butchers.

The struggle to succeed in farming is not without its obstacles. "Modest nature is our number one problem," says Dale. "She can be friend or foe."

When repairs are needed, Dale states, "you know it's going to be very expensive for equipment, parts and labor. By that, what they say. Farmers buy retail and sell wholesale."

The Bentz's are proud to note that they have never operated on government handouts. That pride encourages them.

"I take pride in seeing straight corn rows," Dale says. "That's when I know I'm doing a good job planting corn. Our motto has always been, 'When you do something, do it right or don't do it at all'."

A number of problems are out of Dale's control. Environmental factors such as water runoff and chemical fertilizers and pesticides are becoming the subjects of heated debates.

However Dale holds an optimistic view of it, though. "Of course there will be fine laborers and less ground to farm but the next generation will be better prepared to conquer problems," Dale explains.

Environmental and animal rights issues will be great concerns.

Dale follows the use of these techniques and as scientists shut work out the ten year system of the plans.

By the year 2000, he says, the accomplishments of this decade will outshine all those of the past century. Technology will change so fast. It looks promising for the younger generations.

The same set could be forming that Dale sees in the newspapers a farmer making it, he can look into the farm in the form of regret and sickness.

If he could change anything about farming, Dale would like to see a larger return on his investments.

Despite this Dale Bentz continues to farm with his father, brother and two step-sons. Chad 15, and Michael 16, because Dale was born and raised on the farm and he loves it. His wife, Valerie, helps out when she is able.

It's his biggest challenge, has made for a big time house, one to control. He was be different than his neighbor.

"As a step-parent, like a blackboard you can erase your mistakes and begin again each spring.

"And when it's raining right he adds, it's right.

The Bentz Farm - Located just a few miles south of Dillsburg off of Route 74 is the Bentz farm of 300 acres. The Bentz's started out in the dairy business in 1945 they participated in the dairy buyout program and now raise beef, finishing an average of 500 head of cattle annually.

Photo by David Marsh

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Our precious puppy Bear dog passed away Sunday March 25, 1990 at the Veterinary Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, the city where he was born 7 years ago.
We want to thank all of you who gave him so much love and affection over the years - our friends and families, neighbors patrons at the craft shop we had last year on Baltimore Street (Blair Mountain Creations) employees of McFarland Graphics by whose pond he loved to walk every day, people who so often saw Bear patiently waiting at a store or post office, antiing in the driver's seat of our brown Cavalier station wagon, and would say hello and smile at him many of you even waiting at the car to meet his people and see what a wonderful dog he is.
For those of you who are still unsure who Bear was, he was an affectionate white boxer, with a brown spot on his head and floppy ears, who loved to cuddle with his people.
Thank you for your love and prayers
Karen and Jim Capp, Dillsburg PA

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